H. R. 8043

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 14, 1963

Mr. Belcher introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To fix certain fees payable to the Commissioner of Patents.

- Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-1
- tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 2
- That (a) the items numbered 1 through 11 in subsection 3
- (a) of section 41 of title 35 of the United States Code are 4
- amended to read as follows: 5
- "1. On filing each application for an original patent 6
- 7 except in design cases, \$60, and \$5 for each claim in excess
- of twenty filed originally or pending and under consideration 8
- 9 at any other time during prosecution.
- "2. On issuing each original patent, except in design 10
- 11 cases, \$60, and \$5 for each claim in excess of twenty.

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- 1 "3. In design cases:
- 2 "(A) On filing each design application, \$20.
- 3 "(B) On issuing each design patent: for three years
- and six months, \$10; for seven years, \$20; and for four-
- 5 teen years, \$30.
- 6 "4. On every application for the reissue of a patent,
- 7 \$60, and \$5 for each claim in excess of twenty over
- 8 and above the number of claims of the original patent.
- 9 "5. On filing each disclaimer, \$20.
- 10 "6. On an appeal for the first time from the examiner
- 11 to the Board of Appeals, \$50. If the appeal is with-
- 12 drawn prior to any consideration by the Board, or if
- 13 an oral hearing is not requested prior to any consideration
- 14 by the Board or if a request for an oral hearing is with-
- 15 drawn more than thirty days before any consideration by the
- 16 Board, \$25 of the \$50 fee shall be refunded.
- 17 "7. On filing each petition for the revival of an aban-
- 18 doned application for a patent or for the delayed payment
- of the fee for issuing each patent, \$20.
- 20 "8. For certificate of correction of applicant's mistake
- 21 under section 255 of this title, \$20.

- 1 "9. For uncertified printed copies of specifications and
- 2 drawings of patents (except design patents), 50 cents per
- 3 copy; for design patents, 20 cents per copy; special rates
- 4 for libraries specified in section 13 of this title, \$100 for
- 5 patents issued in one year.
- 6 "10. For recording every assignment, agreement, or
- 7 other paper not exceeding six pages, \$6; for each addi-
- 8 tional two pages or less, \$2; for each additional patent
- 9 or application included in one writing, where more than
- one is so included, \$1 additional.
- "11. For each certificate, \$2."
- 12 (b) Such section is further amended by adding the
- 13 following subsection:
- 14 "(c) The fees prescribed by or under this section shall
- 15 apply to any other Government department or agency, or
- 16 officer thereof, except that the Commissioner may waive
- 17 the payment of any fee for services or materials in cases of
- 18 occasional or incidental requests by a Government depart-
- 19 ment or agency, or officer thereof."
- SEC. 2. Section 31 of the Act of July 5, 1946, entitled
- 21 "An Act to provide for the registration and protection of

- 1 trademarks used in commerce, to carry out the provisions of
- 2 certain international conventions, and for other purposes"
- 3 (15 U.S.C. 1113) is amended to read as follows:
- 4 "(a) The following fees shall be paid to the Commis-
- 5 sioner of Patents under this Act:
- 6 "(1) On filing each original application for registration
- 7 of a mark in each class, \$35.
- 8 "(2) On filing each application for renewal in each
- 9 class, \$25; and on filing each application for renewal in each
- 10 class after expiration of the registration, an additional fee
- 11 of \$5.
- "(3) On filing an affidavit under section 8 (a) or sec-
- 13 tion 8 (b), \$10.
- "(4) On filing each petition for the revival of an aban-
- 15 doned application, \$15.
- 16 "(5) On filing notice of opposition or application for
- 17 cancellation, \$25.
- 18 "(6) On appeal from an examiner in charge of the
- 19 registration of marks to the Trademark Trial and Appeal
- 20 Board, \$25.
- 21 "(7) For issuance of a new certificate of registration
- 22 following change of ownership of a mark or correction of a
- 23 registrant's mistake, \$15.
- 24 "(8) For certificate of correction of registrant's mistake
- 25 or amendment after registration, \$15.

- 1 "(9) For certifying in any case, \$1.
- 2 "(10) For filing each disclaimer after registration, \$15.
- 3 "(11) For printed copy of registered mark, 10 cents.
- 4 "(12) For recording every assignment or other paper
- 5 not exceeding six pages, \$6; for each additional two pages
- 6 or less, \$2; for each additional registration or application
- 7 included, or involved in one writing where more than one is
- 8 so included or involved, additional, \$1.
- 9 "(13) On filing notice of claim of benefits of this Act
- 10 for a mark to be published under section 12(c) hereof,
- ¹¹ \$10.
- "(b) The Commissioner may establish charges for copies
- 13 of records, publications, or services furnished by the Patent
- 14 Office, not specified in subsection (a).
- "(c) The Commissioner may refund any sum paid by
- 16 mistake or in excess."
- 17 Sec. 3. (a) Section 266 of title 35 of the United States
- 18 Code is repealed.
- (b) The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 27
- 20 of such title is amended by striking out
 - "266. Issue of patents without fees to Government employees."
- 21 Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in the succeeding sub-
- 22 sections of this section, the amendments and repeal made by
- 23 this Act shall take effect three months after the date of en-
- 24 actment.

- 1 (b) The amendments to items 1, 3, and 4 of section 41
- 2 (a) of title 35 of the United States Code shall not apply in
- 3 further proceedings in applications filed prior to the effec-
- 4 tive date of such amendments.
- 5 (c) The amendment to item 2 of such section shall not
- 6 apply in cases in which the notice of allowance of the appli-
- 7 cation was sent, or in which a patent was issued, prior to
- 8 the effective date of such amendment.
- 9 (d) The fee prescribed in paragraph 13 of section 31
- 10 (a) of the Act of July 5, 1946 (15 U.S.C. 1113), as
- 11 amended by this Act shall apply only in the case of regis-
- 12 trations issued and registrations published under the pro-
- 13 visions of section 12 (c) of that Act (15 U.S.C. 1062 (c))
- 14 on or after the effective date of such amendment.

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